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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Authorities, together with Monthly Pay-roll Tax returns lodged by employers (other than Commonwealth Government Authorities, religious and benevolent institutions and public hospitals) paying more than £20 per week in wages (£80 per week as from 1st October, 1953). They should be interpreted in the light of the prefatory notes on page 1 hereof.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees", and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

## PREFATORY NOTES

1. The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revision will effect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 9 and 10. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof. Relevant figures are as follows:-

## AUSTRALIA : (Thousands)

(EXCLUDING employees in Rural Industries and Private Domestic Service)

	1952		1953				
	August	Sept- ember	May	June	July	August	Sept- ember
<b>MALES</b>							
1. In Private Employment	1307.9	1299.6	1317.8	1320.0	1317.3	1320.4	1324.6
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Authorities -							
Defence Group (a) ..	31.9	32.6	30.3	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.3
Other ..	128.2	127.6	128.9	128.8	127.9	127.2	126.8
State and Semi-Government ..	353.9	351.2	348.3	348.0	347.2	348.6	349.0
Local Authorities ..	59.9	59.9	59.6	59.7	59.6	59.6	59.4
2. Total Governmental ..	573.9	571.3	567.1	566.7	564.9	565.7	565.5
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	1881.8	1870.9	1884.9	1886.7	1882.2	1886.1	1890.1
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Overseas and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b) ..	70.4	70.6	65.4	65.4	66.0	65.5	62.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees ..	1952.2	1941.5	1950.3	1952.1	1948.2	1951.6	1952.9
<b>FEMALES</b>							
1. In Private Employment ..	553.2	552.2	562.9	561.8	*562.9	*565.1	569.2
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Authorities -							
Defence Group (a) ..	6.6	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other ..	38.2	37.7	35.5	35.4	35.9	35.6	35.5
State and Semi-Government ..	64.8	64.5	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.3	65.3
Local Authorities ..	5.2	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
2. Total Governmental ..	114.8	113.7	112.0	111.9	112.4	112.4	112.3
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	668.0	665.9	674.9	673.7	*675.3	*677.5	681.5
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Overseas) ..	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces ..	670.1	668.0	676.9	675.7	*677.3	*679.5	683.5
<b>PERSONS</b>							
1. In Private Employment ..	1861.1	1851.8	1880.7	1881.8	*1880.2	*1885.5	1893.8
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Authorities -							
Defence Group (a) ..	38.5	39.0	36.5	36.4	36.4	36.5	36.5
Other ..	166.4	165.3	164.4	164.2	163.8	162.8	162.3
State and Semi-Government ..	418.7	415.7	413.3	413.0	412.2	413.9	414.3
Local Authorities ..	65.1	65.0	64.9	65.0	64.9	64.9	64.7
2. Total Governmental ..	688.7	685.0	679.1	678.6	677.3	678.1	677.8
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2549.8	2536.8	2559.8	2560.4	*2557.5	*2563.6	2571.6
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Overseas and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b) ..	72.5	72.7	67.4	67.4	68.0	67.5	64.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees ..	2622.3	2609.5	2627.2	2627.8	*2625.5	*2631.1	2636.4

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production, and includes migrants employed by these Departments under the emergency employment plan.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students but includes non-enlisted personnel.

\* Revised.

I. GENERAL SUMMARYTABLE I : PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA.(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1341.6	1317.5	1317.3	605.3	558.8	*562.9	1946.9	1876.3	*1880.2
August	1342.7	1307.9	1320.4	607.5	553.2	*565.1	1950.2	1861.1	*1885.5
Sept.	1344.6	1299.6	1324.6	608.3	552.2	569.2	1952.9	1851.8	1893.8
Oct.	1350.2	1302.6		609.3	553.1		1959.5	1855.7	
Nov.	1359.7	1301.6		611.3	554.8		1971.0	1856.4	
Dec.	1353.4	1300.4		608.7	558.0		1962.1	1858.4	
Jan.	1353.1	1298.9		598.0	554.0		1951.1	1852.9	
Feb.	1352.3	1308.3		592.4	560.0		1944.7	1868.3	
March	1352.1	1312.3		588.4	564.5		1940.5	1876.8	
April	1343.7	1315.7		578.5	563.9		1922.2	1879.6	
May	1336.0	1317.8		572.6	562.9		1908.6	1880.7	
June	1330.7	1320.0		564.2	561.8		1894.9	1881.8	

\* Revised.

TABLE 2 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES - AUSTRALIA  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	571.2	576.5	564.9	114.9	115.4	112.4	686.1	691.9	677.3
August	569.2	573.9	565.7	114.6	114.8	112.4	683.8	688.7	678.1
Sept.	562.4	571.3	565.5	112.4	113.7	112.3	674.8	685.0	677.8
Oct.	558.9	566.5		112.3	112.5		671.2	679.0	
Nov.	559.4	564.1		112.7	112.1		672.1	676.2	
Dec.	562.5	563.5		111.9	111.1		674.4	674.6	
Jan.	563.8	(a) 558.9		112.8	110.2		676.6	(a) 669.1	
Feb.	568.2	562.8		114.9	112.0		683.1	674.8	
March	571.6	565.8		115.4	112.6		687.0	678.4	
April	575.7	566.7		115.7	112.2		691.4	678.9	
May	577.8	567.1		115.6	112.0		693.4	679.1	
June	577.4	566.7		115.2	111.9		692.6	678.6	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 3 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - AUSTRALIA(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1912.8	1894.0	1882.2	720.2	674.2	*675.3	2633.0	2568.2	*2557.5
August	1911.9	1881.8	1886.1	722.1	668.0	*677.5	2634.0	2549.8	*2563.6
Sept.	1907.0	1870.9	1890.1	720.7	665.9	681.5	2627.7	2536.8	2571.6
Oct.	1909.1	1869.1		721.6	665.6		2630.7	2534.7	
Nov.	1919.1	1865.7		724.0	666.9		2643.1	2532.6	
Dec.	1915.9	1863.9		720.6	669.1		2636.5	2533.0	
Jan.	1916.9	(a) 1857.8		710.8	664.2		2627.7	(a) 2522.0	
Feb.	1920.5	1871.1		707.3	672.0		2627.8	2543.1	
March	1923.7	1878.1		703.8	677.1		2627.5	2555.2	
April	1919.4	1882.4		694.2	676.1		2613.6	2558.5	
May	1913.8	1884.9		688.2	674.9		2602.0	2559.8	
June	1908.1	1886.7		679.4	673.7		2587.5	2560.4	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes.

\* Revised.

TABLE 4 : DEFENCE FORCES - AUSTRALIA

(INCLUDING Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	46.7	68.9	66.0	0.8	1.9	2.0	47.5	70.8	68.0
August	56.1	70.4	65.5	0.9	2.1	2.0	57.0	72.5	67.5
Sept.	57.0	70.6	62.8	1.0	2.1	2.0	58.0	72.7	64.8
Oct.	57.5	70.1		1.1	2.1		58.6	72.2	
Nov.	49.5	62.1		1.2	2.1		50.7	64.2	
Dec.	50.7	59.3		1.2	2.0		51.9	61.3	
Jan.	58.6	67.5		1.3	2.1		59.9	69.6	
Feb.	60.4	68.4		1.4	2.0		61.8	70.4	
March	62.0	65.8		1.5	2.0		63.5	67.8	
April	64.6	63.0		1.6	2.0		66.2	65.0	
May	65.9	65.4		1.8	2.0		67.7	67.4	
June	67.6	65.4		1.8	2.0		69.4	67.4	

Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 5 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
July	1959.5	1962.9	1948.2	721.0	676.1	*677.3	2680.5	2639.0	*2625.5
August	1968.0	1952.2	1951.6	723.0	670.1	*679.5	2691.0	2622.3	*2631.1
Sept.	1964.0	1941.5	1952.9	721.7	668.0	683.5	2685.7	2609.5	2636.4
Oct.	1966.6	1939.2		722.7	667.7		2689.3	2606.9	
Nov.	1968.6	1927.8		725.2	669.0		2693.8	2596.8	
Dec.	1966.6	1923.2		721.8	671.1		2688.4	2594.3	
Jan.	1975.5	(a) 1925.3		712.1	666.3		2687.6	(a) 2591.6	
Feb.	1980.9	1939.5		708.7	674.0		2689.6	2613.5	
March	1985.7	1943.9		705.3	679.1		2691.0	2623.0	
April	1984.0	1945.4		695.8	678.1		2679.8	2623.5	
May	1979.7	1950.3		690.0	676.9		2669.7	2627.2	
June	1975.7	1952.1		681.2	675.7		2656.9	2627.8	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes

\* Revised.

4. **TABLE 6 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA**  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excl. Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)									Defence Forces (b)
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Govt. Authorities (a)	Private Employment	Total	Govt. Authorities (a)	Private Employment	Total	Govt. Authorities (a)	Private Employment	Total Civilian Employees	
1939	July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941	July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950	June	553.5	1,305.2	1,858.7	107.6	580.6	688.2	661.1	1,885.8	2,546.9	33.7
1951	June	570.4	1,341.1	1,911.5	113.8	605.0	718.8	684.2	1,946.1	2,630.3	44.3
1952	June	577.4	1,330.7	1,908.1	115.2	564.2	679.4	692.6	1,894.9	2,587.5	69.4
1953	June	566.7	1,320.0	1,886.7	111.9	561.8	673.7	678.6	1,881.8	2,560.4	67.4
1951	Sept. (a)	562.4	1,344.6	1,907.0	112.4	608.3	720.7	674.8	1,952.9	2,627.7	58.0
	Oct.	558.9	1,350.2	1,909.1	112.3	609.3	721.6	671.2	1,959.5	2,630.7	58.6
	Nov.	559.4	1,359.7	1,919.1	112.7	611.3	724.0	672.1	1,971.0	2,643.1	50.7
	Dec.	562.5	1,353.4	1,915.9	111.9	608.7	720.6	674.4	1,962.1	2,636.5	51.9
1952	Jan.	563.8	1,353.1	1,916.9	112.8	598.0	710.8	676.6	1,951.1	2,627.7	59.9
	Feb.	568.2	1,352.3	1,920.5	114.9	592.4	707.3	683.1	1,944.7	2,627.8	61.8
	Mar.	571.6	1,352.1	1,923.7	115.4	588.4	703.8	687.0	1,940.5	2,627.5	63.5
	Apr.	575.7	1,343.7	1,919.4	115.7	578.5	694.2	691.4	1,922.2	2,613.6	66.2
	May	577.8	1,336.0	1,913.8	115.6	572.6	688.2	693.4	1,908.6	2,602.0	67.7
	June	577.4	1,330.7	1,908.1	115.2	564.2	679.4	692.6	1,894.9	2,587.5	69.4
	July	576.5	1,317.5	1,894.0	115.4	558.8	674.2	691.9	1,876.3	2,568.2	70.8
	Aug.	573.9	1,307.9	1,881.8	114.8	553.2	668.0	688.7	1,861.1	2,549.8	72.5
	Sept.	571.3	1,299.6	1,870.9	113.7	552.2	665.9	685.0	1,851.8	2,536.8	72.7
	Oct.	566.5	1,302.6	1,869.1	112.5	553.1	665.6	679.0	1,855.7	2,534.7	72.2
	Nov.	564.1	1,301.6	1,865.7	112.1	554.8	666.9	676.2	1,856.4	2,532.6	64.2
	Dec.	563.5	1,300.4	1,863.9	111.1	558.0	669.1	674.6	1,858.4	2,533.0	61.3
1953	Jan.	558.9	1,298.9	1,857.8	110.2	554.0	664.2	669.1	1,852.9	2,522.0	69.6
	Feb.	562.8	1,308.3	1,871.1	112.0	560.0	672.0	674.8	1,868.3	2,543.1	70.4
	Mar.	565.8	1,312.3	1,878.1	112.6	564.5	677.1	678.4	1,876.8	2,555.2	67.8
	Apr.	566.7	1,315.7	1,882.4	112.2	563.9	676.1	678.9	1,879.6	2,558.5	65.0
	May	567.1	1,317.8	1,884.9	112.0	562.9	674.9	679.1	1,880.7	2,559.8	67.4
	June	566.7	1,320.0	1,886.7	111.9	561.8	673.7	678.6	1,881.8	2,560.4	67.4
	July	564.9	1,317.3	1,882.2	112.4	*562.9	*675.3	677.3*	1,880.2*	2,557.5	68.0*
	Aug.	565.7	1,320.4	1,886.1	112.4	*565.1	*677.5	678.1*	1,885.5*	2,563.6	67.5*
	Sept.	565.5	1,324.6	1,890.1	112.3	569.2	681.5	677.8	1,893.8	2,571.6	64.8

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp.

(c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(d) See Prefatory Note on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.

\* Revised.

TABLE 7 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES, SEPTEMBER, 1953

## STATES AND TERRITORIES.

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	9.3	1.0	44.9	13.0	54.2	14.0	127.6	22.8	24.3	2.4	206.1	39.2	245.3
Victoria	15.9	4.4	33.4	10.4	49.3	14.8	89.7	19.5	12.0	1.3	151.0	35.6	186.6
Queensland	1.2	0.2	16.2	4.2	17.4	4.4	48.5	6.6	15.3	0.8	81.2	11.8	93.0
South Australia	2.9	0.4	11.9	2.6	14.8	3.0	37.0	7.5	2.7	0.3	54.5	10.8	65.3
West. Australia	0.7	0.1	7.9	1.9	8.6	2.0	32.8	5.8	3.0	0.3	44.4	8.1	52.5
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	3.7	1.0	3.8	1.1	13.4	3.1	2.1	0.2	19.3	4.4	23.7
Northern Terr.	0.1	-	2.3	0.5	2.4	0.5	-	-	-	-	2.4	0.5	2.9
Aust. Cap.Terr.	0.1	-	6.5	1.9	6.6	1.9	-	-	-	-	6.6	1.9	8.5
Total Sept. 1953	30.3	6.2	126.8	35.5	157.1	41.7	349.0	65.3	59.4	5.3	565.5	112.3	677.8
Total Aug., 1953	30.3	6.2	127.2	35.6	157.5	41.8	348.6	65.3	59.6	5.3	565.7	112.4	678.1

(a) See note (a) to Table 6 on previous page.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - STATES AND TERRITORIES  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June 1948	May 1949 (a)	June 1950	June 1951	Nov. 1951	June 1952	June 1953	August 1953	September 1953
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## MALES

New South Wales	702.3	721.4	740.8	758.2	765.0	754.4	734.3	733.3	735.3
Victoria	473.3	489.3	510.7	525.8	524.3	524.4	521.6	521.9	522.4
Queensland	232.6	239.8	250.4	259.3	260.1	258.1	255.2	256.1	256.0
South Australia	149.0	155.0	165.7	170.0	169.9	171.5	170.6	170.2	171.3
West. Australia	109.2	112.8	120.5	125.3	126.6	(b)126.0	130.2	130.3	130.9
Tasmania	54.5	57.4	58.4	60.2	60.9	61.0	61.7	61.0	60.9
Northern Terr.	4.0	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	6.0	7.2	7.7	8.1	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.5	8.5
Australia:	1730.9	1787.1	1858.7	1911.5	1919.1	1908.1	1886.7	1886.1	1890.1

## FEMALES

New South Wales	261.9	269.9	278.5	290.9	295.2	270.5	266.2	268.1	269.8
Victoria	196.7	202.5	210.0	219.6	220.2	206.6	205.9	206.8	208.6
Queensland	77.9	80.1	83.1	86.1	87.0	83.8	83.7	84.2	84.4
South Australia	50.1	52.2	54.3	57.0	57.1	54.9	53.4	*53.9	54.2
West. Australia	37.0	37.8	39.9	41.6	41.5	40.5	41.0	41.3	41.4
Tasmania	18.0	18.8	19.4	20.3	19.8	19.8	20.1	19.8	19.7
Northern Terr.	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Australia:	644.0	664.1	688.2	718.8	724.0	679.4	673.7	*677.5	681.5

## PERSONS

New South Wales	964.2	991.3	1019.3	1049.1	1060.2	1024.9	1000.5	1001.4	1005.1
Victoria	670.0	691.8	720.7	745.4	744.5	731.0	727.5	728.7	731.0
Queensland	310.5	319.9	333.5	345.4	347.1	341.9	338.9	340.3	340.4
South Australia	199.1	207.2	220.0	227.0	227.0	226.4	224.0	*224.1	225.5
West. Australia	146.2	150.6	160.4	166.9	168.1	(b)166.5	171.2	171.6	172.3
Tasmania	72.5	76.2	77.8	80.5	80.7	80.8	81.8	80.8	80.6
Northern Terr.	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.7
Aust. Cap. Terr.	7.8	9.3	9.8	10.6	10.2	10.8	11.0	11.0	11.0
Australia:	2374.9	2451.2	2546.9	2630.3	2643.1	2587.5	2560.4	*2563.6	2571.6

(a) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(b) Affected by industrial dispute.

\* Revised.

## II : EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	September 1952	June 1953	July 1953	August 1953	September 1953
<b>MALES</b>						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping: ..	27.4	26.0	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.0
Mining - Gold ..	9.4	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
Silver, Lead, Zinc ..	7.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7
Coal ..	26.2	30.3	(h)28.8	29.4	29.5	29.6
Other (Incl. Quarries) ..	9.4	11.7	11.6	11.6	11.2	11.3
Total Mining and Quarrying: ..	52.7	59.8	58.0	58.5	58.3	58.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	625.0	645.0	666.3	667.2	669.0	671.4
Other (b) ..	55.5	60.0	60.1	60.2	60.2	60.2
Total Manufacturing: ..	680.5	705.0	726.4	727.4	729.2	731.6
Building and Construction (incl. repairs etc.) ..						
Building (Privately Employed) (c) ..	85.9	96.4	91.3	91.0	90.4	90.3
Other (d) ..	81.9	104.1	101.8	100.0	99.8	99.2
Total Building and Construction: ..	167.8	200.5	193.1	191.0	190.2	189.5
Transport and Communication ..						
Road Transport ..	82.1	83.0	82.0	81.6	81.8	81.7
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	43.3	48.6	48.8	47.7	48.7	48.7
Rail and Air Transport ..	96.5	105.9	104.9	104.7	105.2	105.4
Communication ..	48.0	57.5	59.4	59.7	59.8	59.9
Total Transport, etc.: ..	269.9	295.0	295.1	293.7	295.5	295.7
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance): ..	49.4	55.7	56.4	56.3	56.3	56.2
Commerce - Wholesale Trade ..	92.9	111.3	112.2	112.1	112.4	112.8
Primary Produce Agencies ..	19.4	21.9	22.4	21.2	21.7	22.8
Retail Trade ..	123.3	122.7	125.0	124.3	124.5	124.8
Total Commerce: ..	235.6	255.9	259.6	257.6	258.6	260.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	84.3	98.5	97.9	97.9	97.9	98.1
Other ..						
Law and Order ..	17.1	19.7	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Religion and Social Welfare ..	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services ..	24.5	25.3	25.5	25.6	25.6	25.8
Education ..	28.6	33.5	35.4	35.2	35.1	34.9
Other Professional ..	11.1	12.1	12.0	12.0	12.1	12.2
Entertainment, Sport ..	17.7	18.1	18.2	18.1	18.4	18.3
Personal Service (e) ..	52.9	51.7	51.6	51.4	51.4	51.5
Total Other: ..	163.3	171.8	174.1	173.7	174.0	174.1
Migrants Employed by Commonwealth Government on special tasks: ..	-	2.7	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL:</b> ..	1730.0	1870.9	1886.7	1882.2	1886.1	1890.1

## FEMALES

Forestry, Fishing and Trapping: ..	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mining and Quarrying: ..	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	208.0	192.3	202.9	204.2	205.1	207.7
Other (b) ..	5.9	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
Total Manufacturing: ..	213.9	199.3	209.8	211.1	212.0	214.6
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.): ..	2.9	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5
Transport and Communication ..						
Road Transport ..	6.8	8.5	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4
Rail and Air Transport ..	7.8	8.1	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.7
Communication ..	18.3	18.9	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.9
Total Transport, etc.: ..	35.0	37.9	36.2	36.2	36.0	36.1

(h) Affected by industrial dispute. For other notes see page 9.

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	June 1948	September 1952	June 1953	July 1953	August 1953	September 1953
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance): ..	24.2	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.3
Commerce - Wholesale Trade ..	28.5	34.1	34.0	34.2	34.7	34.9
Primary Produce Agencies ..	4.2	5.4	5.1	5.1	5.3	5.3
Retail Trade ..	109.3	109.1	109.9	109.8	109.7	110.2
Total Commerce: ..	142.0	148.6	149.0	149.1	149.7	150.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	25.0	28.1	27.4	27.9	27.9	27.8
Other						
Law and Order ..	7.5	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8
Religion and Social Welfare ..	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Health Services ..	59.6	69.2	68.8	*69.4	*69.8	69.9
Education ..	37.1	42.0	43.3	43.3	43.5	43.5
Other Professional ..	8.3	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3
Entertainment, Sport ..	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.6
Personal Service (e) ..	70.4	67.2	65.8	64.8	65.2	65.7
Total Other: ..	200.3	214.1	213.5	*213.1	*214.0	214.7
TOTAL: ..	644.0	665.9	673.7	*675.3	*677.5	681.5
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping:	27.5	26.2	26.3	26.3	26.3	26.2
Mining - Gold ..	9.5	8.3	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc ..	7.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9
Coal ..	26.3	30.5	(h) 29.0	29.6	29.7	29.8
Other (incl. Quarries) ..	9.6	12.0	12.0	11.9	11.5	11.6
Total Mining and Quarrying: ..	53.3	60.7	58.9	59.4	59.2	59.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	833.0	837.3	869.2	871.4	874.1	879.1
Other (b) ..	61.4	67.0	67.0	67.1	67.1	67.1
Total Manufacturing: ..	894.4	904.3	936.2	938.5	941.2	946.2
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately Employed) (c)	88.3	99.0	93.8	93.6	93.0	93.0
Other (d) ..	82.4	105.9	103.6	101.8	101.6	101.0
Total Building and Construction:	170.7	204.9	197.4	195.4	194.6	194.0
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport ..	88.9	91.5	90.3	89.8	89.9	89.8
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	45.4	51.0	51.1	50.0	51.1	51.1
Rail and Air Transport ..	104.3	114.0	112.6	112.5	112.9	113.1
Communication ..	66.3	76.4	77.3	77.6	77.6	77.8
Total Transport, etc.: ..	304.9	332.9	331.3	329.9	331.5	331.8
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance) ..	73.6	88.1	88.8	88.7	88.7	88.5
Commerce - Wholesale Trade ..	121.4	145.4	146.2	146.3	147.1	147.7
Primary Produce Agencies ..	23.6	27.3	27.5	26.3	27.0	28.1
Retail Trade ..	232.6	231.8	234.9	234.1	234.2	235.0
Total Commerce: ..	377.6	404.5	408.6	406.7	408.3	410.8
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.: ..	109.3	126.6	125.3	125.8	125.8	125.9
Other						
Law and Order ..	24.6	28.3	28.7	28.7	28.8	28.8
Religion and Social Welfare ..	20.4	20.4	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3
Health Services ..	84.1	94.5	94.3	*95.0	*95.4	95.7
Education ..	65.7	75.5	78.7	78.5	78.6	78.4
Other Professional ..	19.4	21.5	21.3	21.4	21.4	21.5
Entertainment, Sport ..	26.1	26.8	26.9	26.7	26.9	26.9
Personal Service (e) ..	123.3	118.9	117.4	116.2	116.6	117.2
Total Other: ..	363.6	385.9	387.6	*386.8	*388.0	388.8
Migrants employed by Commonwealth Government on special tasks: ..	-	2.7	-	-	-	-
TOTAL: ..	2374.9	2536.8	2560.4	*2557.5	*2563.6	2571.6

(h) Affected by industrial dispute. For other notes see page 9. \* Revised.

TABLE 10 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - SEPTEMBER, 1953

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp are also excluded)  
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	AUST. (f)
<u>MALES</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.6	5.5	5.7	1.7	2.2	2.1	26.0
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.6	5.1	9.3	1.6	8.4	3.1	58.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	274.0	208.0	72.5	65.3	33.8	17.8	671.4
Other (b) ..	26.3	17.3	10.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	60.2
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	300.3	225.3	82.5	67.8	36.3	18.3	731.6
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	62.7	48.3	29.4	18.8	16.5	10.0	189.5
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	16.4	10.9	9.0	6.2	4.1	2.0	48.7
Rail and Air Transport ..	38.8	21.9	20.6	10.6	10.6	2.5	105.4
Other Transport and Communication ..	57.5	37.3	21.9	11.9	8.4	4.0	141.6
Property and Finance (incl.Banks, etc.) ..	22.0	16.8	7.7	4.7	3.4	1.4	56.2
Retail Trade ..	48.6	36.0	15.4	11.6	9.2	3.6	124.8
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	47.0	37.7	19.1	14.0	13.2	4.1	135.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	35.9	28.2	11.6	7.6	7.1	3.7	98.1
Other Industries (g) ..	66.9	49.4	23.8	14.8	11.5	6.1	174.1
<u>TOTAL MALES</u>	735.3	522.4	256.0	171.3	130.9	60.9	1890.1
<u>FEMALES</u>							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	88.3	81.7	13.6	14.3	6.1	3.7	207.7
Other (b) ..	0.9	2.1	2.8	0.1	0.9	-	6.9
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	89.2	83.8	16.4	14.4	7.0	3.7	214.6
Rail and Air Transport ..	3.3	1.9	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.1	7.7
Other Transport and Communication .. (including Shipping, etc.) ..	10.6	8.5	4.2	2.4	1.4	1.1	28.4
Property and Finance (incl.Banks, etc.) ..	14.2	9.3	3.8	2.4	1.8	0.8	32.3
Retail Trade ..	41.5	29.8	14.8	11.0	9.2	3.6	110.2
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	15.6	10.7	5.9	3.7	3.3	1.0	40.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	10.8	6.8	4.4	1.6	2.0	1.0	27.8
Other Industries (g) ..	84.6	57.8	33.6	18.0	16.3	8.4	220.3
<u>TOTAL FEMALES</u>	269.8	208.6	84.4	54.2	41.4	19.7	681.5
<u>PERSONS</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping ..	8.7	5.6	5.7	1.7	2.2	2.1	26.2
Mining and Quarrying ..	30.9	5.2	9.5	1.7	8.5	3.2	59.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a) ..	362.3	289.7	86.1	79.6	39.9	21.5	879.1
Other (b) ..	27.2	19.4	12.8	2.6	3.4	0.5	67.1
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	389.5	309.1	98.9	82.2	43.3	22.0	946.2
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) ..	64.5	49.5	30.0	19.2	16.8	10.1	194.0
Shipping and Stevedoring ..	17.4	11.4	9.3	6.4	4.3	2.1	51.1
Rail and Air Transport ..	42.1	23.8	21.9	11.3	11.0	2.6	113.1
Other Transport and Communication ..	67.1	45.3	25.8	14.1	9.6	5.0	167.6
Property and Finance (incl.Banks, etc.) ..	36.2	26.1	11.5	7.1	5.2	2.2	88.5
Retail Trade ..	90.1	65.8	30.2	22.6	18.4	7.2	235.0
Wholesale and Other Commerce ..	62.6	48.4	25.0	17.7	16.5	5.1	175.8
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i. ..	46.7	35.0	16.0	9.2	9.1	4.7	125.9
Other Industries (g) ..	149.3	105.8	56.6	32.3	27.4	14.3	388.8
<u>TOTAL PERSONS:</u>	1005.1	731.0	340.4	225.5	172.3	80.6	2571.6

For notes see page 9.

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published annually in the Secondary Industries Bulletin. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed, or in which power other than hand is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public authorities, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public authorities on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes, Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestic).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

### III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, OCTOBER, 1953.

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, provided their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill". These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Figures published in Bulletins prior to March, 1953 related to 618 factories in New South Wales and 778 in Victoria. The survey has since been extended to other States and the movement of employment in 1055 factories in Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia is available from January, 1953 onwards. Approximately half of the total private factory employment in each State is covered by the collection.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

TABLE 11. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA						
1952 January	246,085	89,268	335,353	-	-	-
February	244,788	88,194	332,982	- 0.5	- 1.2	- 0.7
March	243,779	85,616	329,395	- 0.4	- 2.9	- 1.1
April	240,508	81,090	321,598	- 1.3	- 5.3	- 2.4
May	236,900	77,539	314,439	- 1.5	- 4.4	- 2.2
June	233,523	75,891	309,414	- 1.4	- 2.1	- 1.6
July	229,057	73,606	302,663	- 1.9	- 3.0	- 2.2
August	224,541	72,351	296,892	- 2.0	- 1.7	- 1.9
September	223,767	71,830	295,597	- 0.3	- 0.7	- 0.4
October	224,325	72,417	296,742	+ 0.2	+ 0.8	+ 0.4
November	224,336	73,074	297,410	+ 0.0	+ 0.9	+ 0.2
December	224,168	73,570	297,738	- 0.1	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
1953 January	225,728	74,416	300,144	+ 0.7	+ 1.1	+ 0.8
February	229,031	77,432	306,463	+ 1.5	+ 4.1	+ 2.1
March	231,640	78,684	310,324	+ 1.1	+ 1.6	+ 1.3
April	232,528	77,760	310,288	+ 0.4	- 1.2	- 0.0
May	233,490	78,069	311,559	+ 0.4	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
June	234,752	78,147	312,899	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
July	235,234	78,533	313,767	+ 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
August	236,335	79,076	315,411	+ 0.5	+ 0.7	+ 0.5
September	237,836	80,168	318,004	+ 0.6	+ 1.4	+ 0.8
October	239,721	81,946	321,667	+ 0.8	+ 2.2	+ 1.2
QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA						
1953 January	88,211	19,362	107,573	-	-	-
February	90,187	19,639	109,826	+ 2.2	+ 1.4	+ 2.1
March	90,961	19,750	110,711	+ 0.9	+ 0.6	+ 0.8
April	91,298	19,410	110,708	+ 0.4	- 1.7	- 0.0
May	92,783	19,256	112,039	+ 1.6	- 0.8	+ 1.2
June	94,455	19,143	113,598	+ 1.8	- 0.6	+ 1.4
July	95,653	19,358	115,011	+ 1.3	+ 1.1	+ 1.2
August	95,924	19,658	115,582	+ 0.3	+ 1.5	+ 0.5
September	95,608	19,768	115,376	- 0.3	+ 0.6	- 0.2
October	95,579	20,029	115,608	- 0.0	+ 1.3	+ 0.2
FIVE STATES						
1953 January	313,939	93,778	407,717	-	-	-
February	319,218	97,071	416,289	+ 1.7	+ 3.5	+ 2.1
March	322,601	98,434	421,035	+ 1.1	+ 1.4	+ 1.1
April	323,826	97,170	420,996	+ 0.4	- 1.3	- 0.0
May	326,273	97,325	423,598	+ 0.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
June	329,207	97,290	426,497	+ 0.9	- 0.0	+ 0.7
July	330,887	97,891	428,778	+ 0.5	+ 0.6	+ 0.5
August	332,259	98,734	430,993	+ 0.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.5
September	333,444	99,936	433,380	+ 0.4	+ 1.2	+ 0.6
October	335,300	101,975	437,275	+ 0.5	+ 2.0	+ 0.9

TABLE 12. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

Period (End of month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
<u>NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA</u>						
1952 January	224,074	78,986	303,060	-	-	-
February	222,271	76,685	298,956	- 0.8	- 2.9	- 1.4
March	220,960	73,878	294,838	- 0.6	- 3.7	- 1.4
April	218,908	71,177	290,085	- 0.9	- 3.7	- 1.6
May	216,413	68,928	285,341	- 1.1	- 3.2	- 1.6
June	213,574	67,973	281,547	- 1.3	- 1.4	- 1.3
July	209,444	66,015	275,459	- 1.9	- 2.9	- 2.2
August	204,798	64,879	269,677	- 2.2	- 1.7	- 2.1
September	203,762	64,600	268,362	- 0.5	- 0.4	- 0.5
October	203,482	64,925	268,407	- 0.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.0
November	203,377	65,358	268,735	- 0.1	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
December	203,028	65,064	268,092	- 0.2	- 0.4	- 0.2
1953 January	204,701	65,822	270,523	+ 0.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.9
February	207,428	67,369	274,797	+ 1.3	+ 2.4	+ 1.6
March	210,410	68,900	279,310	+ 1.4	+ 2.3	+ 1.6
April	212,589	69,881	282,470	+ 1.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.1
May	214,351	70,975	285,326	+ 0.8	+ 1.6	+ 1.0
June	215,793	71,180	286,973	+ 0.7	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
July	216,292	71,607	287,899	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	+ 0.3
August	217,238	72,027	289,265	+ 0.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.5
September	218,675	73,014	291,689	+ 0.7	+ 1.4	+ 0.8
October	219,694	74,207	293,901	+ 0.5	+ 1.6	+ 0.8
<u>QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA</u>						
1953 January	73,238	15,142	88,380	-	-	-
February	73,768	15,380	89,148	+ 0.7	+ 1.6	+ 0.9
March	74,185	15,711	89,896	+ 0.6	+ 2.2	+ 0.8
April	74,397	15,931	90,328	+ 0.3	+ 1.4	+ 0.5
May	74,966	16,039	91,005	+ 0.8	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
June	75,460	15,938	91,398	+ 0.7	- 0.6	+ 0.4
July	76,047	16,021	92,068	+ 0.8	+ 0.5	+ 0.7
August	76,251	16,206	92,457	+ 0.3	+ 1.2	+ 0.4
September	76,343	16,358	92,701	+ 0.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
October	77,067	16,618	93,685	+ 0.9	+ 1.6	+ 1.1
<u>FIVE STATES</u>						
1953 January	277,939	80,964	358,903	-	-	-
February	281,196	82,749	363,945	+ 1.2	+ 2.2	+ 1.4
March	284,595	84,611	369,206	+ 1.2	+ 2.3	+ 1.4
April	286,986	85,812	372,798	+ 0.8	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
May	289,317	87,014	376,331	+ 0.8	+ 1.4	+ 0.9
June	291,253	87,118	378,371	+ 0.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
July	292,339	87,628	379,967	+ 0.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
August	293,489	88,233	381,722	+ 0.4	+ 0.7	+ 0.5
September	295,018	89,372	384,390	+ 0.5	+ 1.3	+ 0.7
October	296,761	90,825	387,586	+ 0.6	+ 1.6	+ 0.9

An industrial grouping of the numbers of persons employed in the larger private factories surveyed, males and females being shown separately, is as follows:-

**TABLE 13 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING**

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (Both States)				Percentage movement in employment	
	October 1952	August 1953	September 1953	October 1953	August- September	September- October
<b>MALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	17,517	18,237	18,352	18,330	+ 0.6	- 0.1
2. Basic Metals	28,538	28,671	28,672	28,845	+ 0.0	+ 0.6
3. Transportation Equipment	29,737	33,919	33,917	33,522	- 0.0	- 1.2
4. Other Metal Manufactures	58,381	60,706	61,571	62,149	+ 1.4	+ 0.9
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	11,099	10,669	10,723	10,807	+ 0.5	+ 0.8
6. Clothing and Textiles	24,560	28,343	28,436	28,742	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
7. Food	20,843	19,097	19,161	20,027	+ 0.3	+ 4.5
8. All Other	33,650	36,693	37,004	37,299	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Total - All Groups	224,325	236,335	237,836	239,721	+ 0.6	+ 0.8
Total - Excluding Food	203,482	217,238	218,675	219,694	+ 0.7	+ 0.5

<b>FEMALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	1,495	1,577	1,593	1,620	+ 1.0	+ 1.7
2. Basic Metals	1,136	1,043	1,054	1,067	+ 1.1	+ 1.2
3. Transportation Equipment	2,575	2,719	2,704	2,731	- 0.6	+ 1.0
4. Other Metal Manufactures	10,204	11,346	11,626	12,067	+ 2.5	+ 3.8
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	3,036	3,032	3,112	3,236	+ 2.6	+ 4.0
6. Clothing and Textiles	37,047	41,691	42,198	42,592	+ 1.2	+ 0.9
7. Food	7,492	7,049	7,154	7,739	+ 1.5	+ 8.2
8. All Other	9,432	10,619	10,727	10,894	+ 1.0	+ 1.6
Total - All Groups	72,417	79,076	80,168	81,946	+ 1.4	+ 2.2
Total - Excluding Food	64,925	72,027	73,014	74,207	+ 1.4	+ 1.6

**TABLE 14 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING**

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (3 States)				Percentage movement in employment	
	January 1953	August 1953	September 1953	October 1953	August- September	September- October
<b>MALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	12,399	12,955	12,903	12,971	- 0.4	+ 0.5
2. Basic Metals	3,306	3,350	3,340	3,379	- 0.3	+ 1.2
3. Transportation Equipment	16,550	17,758	17,839	18,131	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
4. Other Metal Manufactures	20,119	20,767	20,888	21,032	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,077	4,132	4,061	4,098	- 1.7	+ 0.9
6. Clothing and Textiles	5,198	5,317	5,296	5,298	- 0.4	+ 0.0
7. Food	14,973	19,673	19,265	18,512	- 2.1	- 3.9
8. All Other	11,589	11,972	12,016	12,158	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
Total - All Groups	88,211	95,924	95,608	95,579	- 0.3	- 0.0
Total - Excluding Food	73,238	76,251	76,343	77,067	+ 0.1	+ 0.9

<b>FEMALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	714	783	788	795	+ 0.6	+ 0.9
2. Basic Metals	81	79	78	80	- 1.3	+ 2.6
3. Transportation Equipment	835	817	844	857	+ 3.3	+ 1.5
4. Other Metal Manufactures	2,136	2,473	2,487	2,508	+ 0.6	+ 0.8
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	573	620	629	630	+ 1.5	+ 0.2
6. Clothing and Textiles	8,557	9,006	9,145	9,321	+ 1.5	+ 1.9
7. Food	4,220	3,452	3,410	3,411	- 1.2	+ 0.0
8. All Other	2,246	2,428	2,387	2,427	- 1.7	+ 1.7
Total - All Groups	19,362	19,658	19,768	20,029	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Total - Excluding Food	15,142	16,206	16,358	16,618	+ 0.9	+ 1.6

TABLE 15 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - FIVE STATES - INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage Movement in employment	
	January 1953	August 1953	September 1953	October 1953	August- September	September- October
<b>MALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	29,927	31,192	31,255	31,301	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
2. Basic Metals	31,707	32,021	32,012	32,224	- 0.0	+ 0.7
3. Transportation Equipment	47,364	51,677	51,756	51,653	+ 0.2	- 0.2
4. Other Metal Manufactures	78,172	81,473	82,459	83,181	+ 1.2	+ 0.9
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	15,253	14,801	14,784	14,905	- 0.1	+ 0.8
6. Clothing and Textiles	30,439	33,660	33,732	34,040	+ 0.2	+ 0.9
7. Food	36,000	38,770	38,426	38,539	- 0.9	+ 0.3
8. All Other	45,077	48,665	49,020	49,457	+ 0.7	+ 0.9
Total - All Groups	313,939	332,259	333,444	335,300	+ 0.4	+ 0.5
Total - Excluding Food	277,939	293,489	295,018	296,761	+ 0.5	+ 0.6
<b>FEMALES</b>						
1. Building Materials	2,192	2,360	2,381	2,415	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
2. Basic Metals	1,132	1,122	1,132	1,147	+ 0.9	+ 1.3
3. Transportation Equipment	3,396	3,536	3,548	3,588	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	12,461	13,819	14,113	14,575	+ 2.1	+ 3.3
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	3,670	3,652	3,741	3,866	+ 2.4	+ 3.3
6. Clothing and Textiles	46,125	50,697	51,343	51,913	+ 1.3	+ 1.1
7. Food	12,814	10,501	10,564	11,150	+ 0.6	+ 5.5
8. All Other	11,988	13,047	13,114	13,321	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
Total - All Groups	93,778	98,734	99,936	101,975	+ 1.2	+ 2.0
Total - Excluding Food	80,964	88,233	89,372	90,825	+ 1.3	+ 1.6

#### IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 16 : AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) - AUSTRALIA

Index-numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1000)

Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index-numbers		Quarter	Index-numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1951 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	June Quarter	1,915	1,984
1947-48	1,164	1,206	Sept. Quarter	2,020	2,107
1948-49	1,322	1,365	Dec. Quarter	2,129	2,182
1949-50	1,451	1,505	1952 -		
1950-51	1,742	1,810	March Quarter	2,183	2,258
1951-52	2,145	2,213	June Quarter	2,249	2,304
1952-53	2,350	2,404	Sept. Quarter	2,305	2,371
			Dec. Quarter	2,354	2,408
			1953 -		
			March Quarter	2,362	2,400
			June Quarter	2,377	2,436
			Sept. Quarter	2,445	2,500

(a) Including salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The two series in the above table are not comparable horizontally.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and other data.

The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1951-52 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1952 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 17 : AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX-NUMBERS : ADULT MALES  
INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index-numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index-number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
<u>31ST AUGUST, 1953</u>							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	281	302	318	314	308
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	288	298	320	315	305
III. Food, Drink, etc.	314	317	287	313	312	325	310
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	355	349	329	342	348	361	349
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	305	281	305	314	317	308
VII. Building	348	331	310	321	337	333	335
VIII. Mining (c)	324	315	301	303	(d) 343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	317	309	289	298	312	313	308
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	277	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	342	348	343	345	345	346	344
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	377	335	338	337	349	370	354
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	293	265	279	294	293	292
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	300	276	290	304	302	300
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	330	314	302	310	326	331	319

30TH SEPTEMBER, 1953

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	318	307	281	302	318	314	308
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	312	302	288	298	320	315	305
III. Food, Drink, etc.	315	317	287	313	312	325	310
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	308	310	317	317	321	307	311
V. Books, Printing, etc.	355	349	329	342	348	361	349
VI. Other Manufacturing	316	305	281	305	314	317	308
VII. Building	348	331	310	321	337	333	335
VIII. Mining (c)	324	315	301	303	(d) 343	320	321
IX. Rail and Tram Services	318	309	289	298	312	314	309
X. Other Land Transport	312	296	277	292	312	306	301
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	342	348	343	345	345	346	344
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (f)	377	335	338	337	349	370	354
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc. (f)	302	293	265	279	294	293	292
XIV. Miscellaneous	310	300	276	290	304	302	300
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	330	314	302	310	326	331	319

- (a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.
- (b) Weighted average.
- (c) Average rates of wage prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.
- (d) Excludes district allowances in the gold-mining industry.
- (e) Average rates of wage on which index-numbers are based are for occupations other than masters, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.
- (f) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

TABLE 18 : AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX-NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index-numbers in the following table are based on averages of wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rate for each industrial group in that State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index-number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	149	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
30th September, 1951	282	277	255	266	287	272	276
31st December, 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
31st March, 1952	312	302	285	292	312	298	303
30th June, 1952	321	307	295	299	324	306	311
30th September, 1952	335	322	304	315	334	317	325
31st December, 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
31st March, 1953	339	328	308	318	343	329	330
30th June, 1953	343	332	311	322	347	337	334
30th September, 1953	346	335	312	327	352	341	337

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI. (Shipping, etc.) and XII. (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

#### V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 : NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act, 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1953), which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
August	13,661	6,454	2,631	878	954	299	20,628	4,249	24,877
September	15,982	7,058	2,716	954	790	306	23,428	4,378	27,806
October (e)	19,004	7,042	3,200	1,062	875	367	27,112	4,438	31,550
November	20,839	7,685	3,289	1,080	921	316	29,275	4,855	34,130
December	25,118	7,817	4,452	1,209	1,233	257	34,775	5,311	40,086
1953 January	23,653	8,416	7,034	1,205	1,136	189	36,817	4,816	41,633
February	20,867	5,158	7,002	730	816	188	29,940	4,821	34,761
March	17,802	4,422	5,882	644	701	223	25,303	4,371	29,674
April	16,871	5,454	4,972	658	700	250	24,446	4,459	28,905
May	15,351	5,630	4,333	576	654	243	22,517	4,270	26,787
June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
July	14,296	6,052	3,154	728	870	405	20,907	4,598	25,505
August	12,222	5,549	2,794	596	689	477	18,215	4,082	22,297
September	9,975	4,567	2,591	427	541	427	15,167	3,361	18,528

(a) Last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952 the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

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